



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

*Teri Rennia, City Council President*  
*Angela Holmes, City Clerk*

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## MINUTES

**City Council Organizational Meeting**  
**City Council Work Room, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, N.Y.**  
**Monday January 6, 2014**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Called to order by Council President Rennia at 5:41pm.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council President Rennia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Jerry Motsavage, Joseph Mihalko, Teri Rennia, Lea Webb, Chris Papastrat, John Matzo, Bill Berg

**Absent:** None

**Also in attendance:** Angela Holmes, City Clerk; Jeremy Pelletier, Deputy City Clerk; Allison Sosa, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Corporation Counsel

### **SELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL OFFICERS**

**City Council President.** City Clerk Holmes opened the floor to receive nominations for the position of City Council President. Councilman Mihalko nominated Councilman Berg. Councilman Berg stated that he would not accept the nomination for the position of City Council President. Councilwoman Webb nominated Councilwoman Rennia. Councilman Matzo nominated Councilman Papastrat.

Seeing no other nominations, Council members voted for the position of City Council President by stating the name of the individual each wished to appoint to the position.

Councilman Motsavage: Councilwoman Rennia  
Councilman Mihalko: Councilman Papastrat  
Councilwoman Rennia: Councilwoman Rennia  
Councilwoman Webb: Councilwoman Rennia  
Councilman Papastrat: Councilman Papastrat  
Councilman Matzo: Councilman Papastrat  
Councilman Berg: Councilwoman Rennia

Three votes were received for Councilman Papastrat; four votes were received for Councilwoman Rennia. Councilwoman Rennia accepted the position of City Council President for the year 2014.

**City Council President Pro-Tempore.** City Council President Rennia opened the floor to receive nominations for the position of City Council President Pro-Tempore. Councilman Berg nominated Councilwoman Webb.

Seeing no other nominations, Council members voted for the position of City Council President Pro-Tempore by stating the name of the individual each wished to appoint to the position.



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Councilman Motsavage: Councilwoman Webb  
Councilman Mihalko: Councilwoman Webb  
Councilwoman Rennia: Councilwoman Webb  
Councilwoman Webb: Councilwoman Webb  
Councilman Papastrat: Councilwoman Webb  
Councilman Matzo: Councilwoman Webb  
Councilman Berg: Councilwoman Webb

Seven votes were received for Councilwoman Webb. Councilwoman Webb accepted the position of City Council President Pro-Tempore for the year 2014.

**Majority Leader.** Council President Rennia announced that the City Council Majority Leader for the year 2014 would be Councilman Motsavage.

**Minority Leader.** Councilman Matzo announced that the City Council Minority Leader for the year 2014 would be Councilman Mihalko.

## **CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEES & APPOINTMENTS**

City Council President noted for the record the names of the Council members appointed to various City committees, boards and commissions.

**City Council Finance Committee.** Councilman Berg (Chair), Councilman Motsavage, Councilman Matzo

**City Council Planning & Community Development Committee.** Councilman Webb (Chair), Councilman Berg, Councilman Mihalko

**City Council Municipal & Public Affairs Committee.** Councilman Motsavage (Chair), Councilman Webb, Councilman Matzo

**City Council Public Works/Parks & Recreation Committee.** Councilman Motsavage (Chair), Councilman Berg, Councilman Mihalko

**City Council Employees Committee.** Councilman Berg (Chair), Councilwoman Webb, Councilman Papastrat

**City Council Special Studies/Rules & Procedures Committee.** Councilwoman Webb (Chair), Councilman Motsavage, Councilman Papastrat

**Binghamton Local Development Corporation Council Representatives.** Councilwoman Webb, Councilman Papastrat

**Binghamton Urban Renewal Agency Council Representatives.** Councilman Matzo, Councilwoman Webb.

**Commission on Architecture and Urban Design Council Representative.** Councilman Matzo

**Binghamton Parking Authority Council Representative.** Councilman Matzo



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**Traffic Board Council Representative.** Councilman Berg

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 5:52pm.

Moved by Mihalko, seconded by Webb.

**Voice vote, none opposed.**